

# ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 2021

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** By the end of the week, 85 percent of Durum wheat has been planted compared with 76 percent last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Sixty-two percent has emerged compared with 71 percent last year, and 8 percent has headed compared with 6 percent last year. Durum wheat conditions were rated mostly good. Ninety-five percent of barley has been planted compared with 69 percent last year, 75 percent has emerged compared with 66 percent last year, and 15 percent has headed compared with 19 percent last year. Barley conditions were rated mostly good. Cotton planting is underway with one percent of the crop planted. Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly excellent to good depending on location last week, with harvesting taking place on over three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the state. For the entire state, pasture and range conditions were rated mostly very poor. Severe to exceptional dryness in the entire state, combined with wind damage reported in the southwestern and south central parts of the state, continue to affect pasture and range conditions, forage growth, crop progress, soil moisture, stream water, and stock tanks.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous report (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Planted .....	95	85	69	NA
Emerg'd .....	75	70	66	65
Headed .....	15	5	19	NA
Cotton				
Planted .....	1	NA	--	2
Durum wheat				
Planted .....	85	75	76	NA
Emerg'd .....	62	60	71	66
Headed .....	8	1	6	NA

NA – not available

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### DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork .....	7.0	NA	7.0	NA
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short .....	2	10	--	1
Short .....	25	21	4	14
Adequate .....	73	69	96	78
Surplus .....	--	--	--	7
Subsoil moisture				
Very short .....	3	12	--	6
Short .....	13	13	6	8
Adequate .....	84	75	94	82
Surplus .....	--	--	--	4

NA – not available

(--) – zero

## CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous report (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
<b>Alfalfa hay</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	1	1	--	2
Fair.....	13	8	19	20
Good .....	36	43	41	53
Excellent .....	50	48	40	24
<b>Barley</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Fair.....	13	16	24	NA
Good .....	75	77	48	NA
Excellent .....	12	7	28	NA
<b>Durum wheat</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Fair.....	4	3	11	NA
Good .....	91	95	50	NA
Excellent .....	5	2	39	NA
<b>Pasture and range</b>				
Very poor .....	75	68	1	10
Poor.....	14	19	18	18
Fair.....	5	7	50	37
Good .....	6	6	28	29
Excellent .....	--	--	3	6

NA – not available

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